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AMENDMENT

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the following listing, which replaces any and all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application:

- 1.-7. (Previously Canceled)
- 8. (Currently Amended) A stacked die package comprising:
- a package substrate having a top side and a bottom side, the top side having a plurality of bond pads provided thereon, and the bottom side having a ball-grid array pattern provided thereon;
- a first semiconductor device mounted on the top side of the package substrate, the first semiconductor device having a plurality of bond pads provided thereon;
- a silicon interposer mounted on the first semiconductor device, the interposer having a first interposer bond pad and a second interposer bond pad, both lying outside a perimeter of the first semiconductor device, wherein the first and second interposer bond pads are electrically coupled via a conductive trace, and wherein the interposer includes: an interposer substrate; a dielectric layer formed on the interposer substrate; a conductive trace formed on the dielectric layer; and a passivation layer formed on the conductive trace, said passivation layer having a plurality of windows formed therein to expose the conductive trace in areas defining the interposer bond pads; and
- a second semiconductor device mounted on the interposer, the second semiconductor device having a plurality of bond pads provided thereon, wherein at least a portion of said conductive trace lies at least partially lies directly underneath and insulated from said second semiconductor device;

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- a first bond wire connected to one of the plurality of bond pads on said first semiconductor and to the first interposer bond pad;
- a second bond wire connected to the second interposer bond pad and to one of the plurality of bond pads on the semiconductor device; and
- a third bond wire connected to one of the plurality of bond pads on the top side of the package substrate and to a bond pad on the first semiconductor device.
- (Original) The stacked die package of claim 8, wherein said interposer substrate comprises silicon.
- 10. (Original) The stacked die package of claim 8, wherein said package substrate comprises a material selected from the group consisting of ceramic, polyimide, metal, glass-filled resin, cyanate-glass.
- 11. (Original) The stacked die package of claim 8, wherein said package substrate includes multilevel metallization.
- 12. (Original) The stacked die package of claim 8, wherein said interposer passivation layer comprises silicon nitride.
- 13. (Previously Canceled)